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For: **BAD-SECTOR SEARCH METHOD, DATA RECORDING DEVICE, AND PROGRAM**

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- Formal Drawings – Four (4) sheets
- An Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney
- An Executed Assignment of the invention to Hitachi Global Storage Technologies Netherlands B.V. (includes Recordation Form Cover Sheet)
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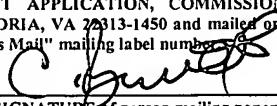
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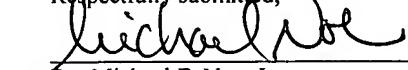
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